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Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/790,279 for AQUEOUS-BASED OIL WELL DRILLING FLUIDS CONTAINING HIGH AMYLOSE STARCH POLYMERS

Our File No.: 051344-5032

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in connection with the above-referenced invention are the following:

- 1. Amendment with Authorization to Charge Deposit Account with copy of Authorization page (8 pages plus 1 copy of authorization page for a total of 9 pages); and
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AMENDMENT

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The following amendment is respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on May 11, 2006.

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